

Navigating SAMHSA's Prevention Supports

Looking for training and technical assistance (T/TA) to build the capacity of your prevention workforce? Check out one of SAMHSA's national T/TA centers!

SAMHSA supports multiple T/TA centers dedicated to strengthening the substance misuse prevention workforce. Though the services, functions, and audiences of these centers sometimes overlap, each plays a distinct and important role in SAMHSA's prevention landscape.

Strategic Prevention Technical Assistance Center



OVERVIEW

Supports the application of culturally responsive, evidence-informed substance misuse prevention efforts, guided by SAMHSA's Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF).

REQUEST T/TA

Email: SPTAC@edc.org

WHO CAN ACCESS?

States, Tribal entities, jurisdictions, and communities supported under SAMHSA's Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Program and selected grants to support community-based prevention efforts

WEBSITE

samhsa.gov/sptac

SERVICES

- Interactive webinars for national, regional, and grant cohort-specific audiences
- Group consultation and coaching
- Collaboration and networking to promote sharing of expertise and lessons learned
- Self-paced online training modules on the SPF and behavioral health disparities
- Capacity-building tools and resources, including literature summaries, issues briefs, and a Prevention Collaboration in Action online toolkit

Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network



OVERVIEW

Ten Domestic Regional Centers, two National Focus Area Centers, and a Network Coordinating Office provide training and resources to strengthen the substance misuse prevention workforce and improve implementation of effective interventions.

REQUEST T/TA

Contact your regional PTTC

WHO CAN ACCESS?

Prevention professionals, organizations, and systems in the substance misuse prevention field

WEBSITE

pttcnetwork.org

SERVICES

Available supports focus on prevention science basics, using epidemiological data to guide decision-making, implementing evidence-based and promising practices, and emerging prevention priorities. Specialized tools and training, tailored to specific needs, are also available.

Priority focus areas include:

- Workforce development (e.g., Ethics in Prevention, Substance Abuse Prevention Skills Training, Prevention Specialist Certification)
- Health equity and inclusion
- Community collaboration
- Data-informed decision-making
- Implementation science
- Cannabis prevention

Tribal Technical Assistance Center



OVERVIEW

Guides Tribal communities and organizations in applying cultural knowledge and strengths to support wellness around substance use disorders, suicide prevention, and mental health.

REQUEST T/TA

Email: TA-Request@tribaltechllc.com

WHO CAN ACCESS?

All Tribal communities, SAMHSA Tribal grantees, and selected American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities (in 2023: Native Connections and Circles of Care)

WEBSITE

samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac

SERVICES

Provides three levels of culturally relevant, evidence-based, and holistic T/TA focused on infrastructure development, capacity building, and program planning and implementation:

- Broad T/TA serves all AI/AN Tribes, communities, and organizations
- Focused T/TA available to SAMHSA Tribal grantees
- Intensive T/TA provided to 3-5 AI/AN communities with high levels of need (identified through a selection process)
- Examples of trainings include:
 - GONA/GOAN Trainings
 - Developing Tribal Action Plan
 - Digital Storytelling

Opioid Response Network



OVERVIEW

Supports prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts related to opioid use disorders and stimulant use.

REQUEST T/TA

Complete: [T/TA request form](#)

WHO CAN ACCESS?

Healthcare providers, first responders, and other professionals working in states, territories, and communities to address the opioid epidemic

WEBSITE

opioidresponsenetwork.org

SERVICES

Provides T/TA, consultation, and resources on:

- Evidence-based practices in prevention, treatment, and recovery to meet locally identified needs
- Medication-assisted treatment, harm reduction strategies, and overdose prevention
- Effective implementation of opioid prevention and treatment programs
- Creating local coalitions to address opioid use disorders and stimulant use in communities

National Harm Reduction Technical Assistance Center



OVERVIEW

Builds the capacity of programs that provide (or are planning to provide) harm reduction services to their community.

REQUEST T/TA

Complete: [T/TA request form](#)

WHO CAN ACCESS?

Anyone in the country providing (or planning to provide) harm reduction services (e.g., syringe services programs, health departments, programs providing treatment for substance use disorder, prevention and recovery programs)

WEBSITE

harmreductionhelp.cdc.gov

SERVICES

Provides customized T/TA and comprehensive resources on opioid-related topics such as the following:

- Data and evaluation
- Development, planning, and sustainability
- Harm reduction approaches for medical, behavioral health, treatment and recovery settings
- Support addressing legal/policy barriers to implementing harm reduction services

National Family Support Technical Assistance Center



OVERVIEW

Supports families and caregivers of children, regardless of their age, who experience serious mental illness and/or substance use challenges.

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WHO CAN ACCESS?

Affected families and caregivers, organizations, and communities that address mental health and substance use/addiction challenges (e.g., clinicians, educators, family peer workforce, caregivers, policymakers)

WEBSITE

nfstac.org

SERVICES

Provides webinars and virtual trainings, resources, and time-limited, targeted T/TA for organizations on topics such as:

- Family engagement in treatment
- Caregiver and lifespan support
- Signs and symptoms of co-occurring mental health and substance use challenges
- Other services include:
 - Monthly office hours
 - Monthly Family Connections
 - Workforce-based community of practice

African American Behavioral Center of Excellence



OVERVIEW

Aims to address the pressing need for greater equity and effectiveness in behavioral health services and eliminate disparities for African Americans.

REQUEST T/TA

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WHO CAN ACCESS?

Practitioners and organizations in behavioral health and allied fields

WEBSITE

africanamericanbehavioralhealth.org

SERVICES

Provides specialized T/TA for focused sharing of knowledge and skills, ongoing consultation, and written and recorded resources and tools such as the following:

- Reframing Language
- Culturally Specific Solutions for Black Recovery Communities
- Suicide in U.S. Black and African American Communities